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1. WE DISCUSSED THE UPCOMING ADB MEETING WITH OSTERHAUS OF THE FRG AID MINISTRY. ACCORDING TO HIM THE MOST IMPORTANT PROBLEM WILL BE THE STATUS OF THE USG'S 50 MILLION DOLLAR CONTRIBUTION. OSTERHAUS WAS HOPEFUL THE USG WOULD BE ABLE TO OVERCOME THE LEGAL RESTRICTION INSERTED BY THE CONGRESS INTO THE APPROPRIATION LEGISLATION REQUIRING ADB MONEY BE USED ONLY FOR THE MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL FUND. IF NOT, HE IS AFRAID THE FALL 1973 AGREEMENT WILL UNRAVEL. IN THAT CASE, HE THOUGHT THE APRIL 25-27 MEETING WOULD BE TAKEN UP WITH INITIAL NEGOTIATIONS FOR A NEW AGREEMENT. THIS PROBLEM BEARS ON THE COMPOSITION OF THE FRG'S DELEGATION WITH STATE SECRETARY SOHN TO HEAD THE DELEGATION IF NEGOTIATIONS APPEAR IMMINENT AND MINISTERIAL DIRECTOR DUMKE, CHIEF OF THE DIVISION ON MULTILATERAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE AID MINISTRY, TO BE TAPPED IF NOT. OSTERHAUS SAYS THAT AT THIS POINT THE PLAN IS FOR DUMKE TO HEAD THE DELEGATION WHICH WILL INCLUDE SCHULZ, HEAD OF THE AID MINISTRY'S OFFICE ON REGIONAL BANKS, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FINANCE MINISTRY AND FOREIGN OFFICE.

2. OSTERHAUS SAID THAT THE ONLY QUESTION HE COULD THINK OF THAT MIGHT ARISE CONCERNS AN APPLICATION BY
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THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA FOR MEMBERSHIP. HE SAID HE HOPED THE ISSUE DIDN'T ARISE, BUT IF IT DID, HE THOUGHT PERSONALLY THE FRG WOULD FOLLOW ITS SAME LINE AS CONCERNING PRC MEMBERSHIP IN THE IMF/IBRD (SEE REFTEL B). OSTERHAUS CHARACTERIZED THE FRG'S POSITION AS ONE OF FAVORING AVOIDANCE OF THE ISSUE; NEUTRALITY IF THIS WAS NOT POSSIBLE; AND FAVORING ADMISSION ONLY IF IT WAS CLEAR A MAJORITY OF MEMBERS

FAVORED PRC MEMBERSHIP. OSTERHAUS UNDERLINED THAT THE
FRG DOES NOOT PLAN TO RAISE THIS I-AND SAID HE WAS
ONLY OFFERING HIS OPINION.

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